the petition to the actual election, little opportunity for employers to learn their rights or communicate with their employees their rights, and less opportunities for employees to research the union and the ramifications of forming the union.

The NLRB is ensuring that the odds are stacked against the employees and the businesses. This vote is an opportunity to tell the National Labor Relations Board to reverse course.

I hope this resolution will convince the National Labor Relations Board to pull back from this disastrous rule and encourage them to focus on their statutory mission rather than overturning decades of settled practice that ensures that this process is held in a timely manner and that there is a fair opportunity for all sides to understand, to participate, and to exercise their rights.

The NLRB's purpose is to enforce the National Labor Relations Act, which is a carefully balanced law that has only rarely been changed. When changes have occurred, they have been the result of careful negotiations, with input from stakeholders and thoughtful debate.

The NLRB is attempting a sneak attack through the rulemaking process. This is an ambush on the National Labor Relations Act to set up ambush elections.

The National Labor Relations Board is an agency that has historically issued very few regulations. Most of the questions that come up under the law are handled through the decisions of the Board. Board decisions often do change the enforcement of the law significantly, but they are issued in response to an actual dispute and a question of law.

In contrast, the ambush election is not a response to a real problem because the current election process for certifying whether employees want to form a union is not broken. The rule was not carefully negotiated by stakeholders, it was not made with careful debate, and there was no attempt to reach a consensus.

In the late 1950s Congress worked to pass the Landrieu-Griffin Act, which protected the rights of both rank-and-file union members and their employees. This was a carefully constructed piece of legislation that came out of a special committee to study the issue, that heard from more than 1,500 witnesses over 3 years. And Congress debated the issue of how long a period of

time there should be between the request for an election and the actual election coming up during those negotiations.

My colleagues may be surprised to learn—although they wouldn't if they were listening to the previous two speeches—that it was Senator John F. Kennedy who argued vigorously for a 30-day waiting period prior to the election. He said:

There should be at least a 30 day interval between a request for an election and the holding of an election . . . in which both parties can present their viewpoints. . . The 30 day waiting period is an additional safeguard against rushing employees into an election where they are unfamiliar with the issues.

Again, that was a quote by Senator John F. Kennedy, speaking directly to the need for fairness to employees. The 30-day waiting period provision he supported did not ultimately become part of the law, and obviously it is not a law today. Instead, the NLRB adopted the practice of a 25-day waiting period in almost every case.

This caution about the need for employees to have a chance to become familiar with the issues is just as true today. Employees who are not aware of the organizing activity at their worksites and even those who are need to have an opportunity to learn about the union they may join. They will want to research the union to ensure it has no signs of corruption. They will want to know how other worksites have fared with this union and whether they can believe the promises the union organizers may be extending. Employees should have every chance to understand the impact of unionization. Four decades ago Senators recognized that employees deserved the opportunity to gather this and all other relevant information before casting their votes. Unfortunately, the NLRB is choosing to ignore this caution, and rank-andfile employees will suffer.

This situation is exactly what the Congressional Review Act was intended for. When an agency goes too far and tries to impose rules and regulations that are unnecessary or harmful—in this case, both—the Congressional Review Act gives Congress an expedited process for repealing that regulation. It is a process that cannot be held up and cannot be stalled or put off to ensure that Congress can act when it needs to stop an out-of-control agency.

By any measure, the current law and certification system for union elections ensures that the process is fair for all parties and that all parties have

the opportunity to exercise their rights and to fully understand the implications. The National Labor Relations Board has not made the case that elections are being held up or stalled. They cannot make the case because the data doesn't support it. I want to repeat. The National Labor Relations Board has not made the case that elections are being held up or stalled. They cannot make that case because the data doesn't support it. There is no need for this rule, which is just a handout to Big Labor, which relies on pushing unions forward before businesses and employees have a chance to study and understand the full effects.

This resolution will preserve the fairness and swift resolution of claims which occur under current law. It will not disadvantage unions or roll back any rights. It is important to say that again because there is going to be a lot of misinformation about what this resolution does. This resolution does not disadvantage unions or roll back any union rights. What it does is it ensures that small business employers and emplovees in America are not unfairly disadvantaged by a burdensome process and that employees are not misled with insufficient or incorrect information during the union election process.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator's time has expired.

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent for 1 additional minute.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. ENZI. Under a successful Congressional Review Act disapproval, the agency in question is prohibited from issuing any substantially similar regulation. That means the National Labor Relations Board could not just reissue this regulation again and again, as they have currently done.

I encourage my colleagues to support this resolution to ensure that the National Labor Relations Board understands that this rule is a no-go and that we will stand up to ensure a fair process.

# PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I wish to make a unanimous consent request that Lt. Col. Anthony McCarty, a defense fellow in my office, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of this year.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## FOREIGN TRAVEL FINANCIAL REPORTS

In accordance with the appropriate provisions of law, the Secretary of the Senate herewith submits the following reports for standing committees of the Senate, certain joint committees of the Congress, delegations and groups, and select and special committees of the Senate, relating to expenses incurred in the performance of authorized foreign travel:

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION AND FORESTRY FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30, 2014

Name and country   Name of currency   Courselver   Cour	otal
Senegal   Franc   376,00	U.S. dolla equivalen or U.S. currency
Tanzania	
Ethiopia   bir   984.00	. 376.0
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Total	. 75.930.0

<sup>\*</sup> Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95–384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

SENATOR DEBBIE STABENOW, Chairman, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry, Dec. 31, 2014.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 2014

		Per o	liem	Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
hannon Hines:									
France	Euro		1,664.00		270.00				1,934.00
Hungary	Forint		500.61		27.13				527.74
United States	Dollar				10,630.40				10,630.40
im Rieser:									
Cuba	Peso		506.00						506.00
United States	Dollar				1,127.00		20.00		1,147.00
aul Grove:									
Dem. Rep. Congo	Franc		1,043.00						1,043.00
Kenya	Shilling		1,080.00		1,560.00				2,640.00 4,816.40
United States	Dollar				4,816.40				4,816.40
dam Yezerski:									
Dem. Rep. Congo	Franc		1,093.00						1,093.00
Kenya	Shilling		1,130.00		1,560.00				2,690.00
United States	Dollar				4,816.40				4,816.40
elegation Expenses: *									
Kenya	Shilling				1,213.50		51.32		1,264.82
Total			7,016,61		26,020.83		71.32		33,108.70

<sup>\*</sup>Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under the authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Sec. 22 of P.L. 95–384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

SENATOR BARBARA A. MIKULSKI, Chairman, Committee on Appropriations, Jan. 23, 2015.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 2014

Name and country		Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Tota	al
	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Mike Kuiken: United States United Arab Emirates Afghanistan	Dollar		736.09 20.50		13,046.00				13,046.00 736.09 20.50

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384-22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 2014—Continued

		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dolla equivalen or U.S. currency
like Noblet: United States	Dollar		4.00		13,140.00				13,144.0
United Arab Emiratesdam Barker:	Dirham		163.00				410.00		573.0
United States			445.83		13,046.00				13,046.0 445.8
United Arab EmiratesAfghanistan			20.50						20.
m Goffus: United States	Dollar				13,046.00				13,046.0
United Arab Emirates	Dirham		445.83						445.8
Afghanistanlegation Expenses: *	Afghani		20.50						20.
United Arab Emirates	Dirham				211.23				211.
United States	_ ` `				13,050.77				13,050.
India Afghanistan			1,184.85 69.00						1,184. 69.
Pakistan	Rupee		104.00						104
Qatarren Courington:	,		164.00			•••••			164.
United States			1,253.42		12,970.40				12,970. 1,253.
Afghanistan	Afghani		69.00						69.
Pakistan Qatar			224.00 164.00						224 164
nator Angus King:			101.00				***************************************	***************************************	
United StatesIndia			876.95		14,604.72		72.20		14,604 949
Afghanistan	Afghani		69.00						69
PakistanQatar			94.00 164.00				10.00		104. 164.
phen Smith: United States					14,604.72				14,604
India	Rupee		876.95				96.58		1,023
Afghanistan			69.00 94.00				10.00		69 104
Qatar			164.00						164
legation Expenses: * India	Rupee						561.73		561
Pakistan	Rupee						132.45		132
Qatarnator James Inhofe:	Riyal						59.31		59
United States	Dollar		401.01		11,644.80				11,644
Ukraine Jordan			421.01 191.00						421. 191.
Germany	Euro		391.09						391
United States					11,644.80				11,644
Ukraine Jordan			421.01 191.00						421 191
Germany			391.09						391
elegation Expenses: * Ukraine	Hryvnia						200.44		200
Jordan	Dinar						362.58 1,619.01		558
Germany Lithuania							356.91		1,619 356
nator John McCain: Canada	Dollar		611.42						611
rristian Brose:									
Canadazabeth O'Bagy:	Dollar		675.57						675
Canada	Dollar		649.77						649
nator Ted Cruz: Canada	Dollar		604.41						604
ctoria Coates: Canada	Dollar		677.57						677
nator Tim Kaine:									
Canadaren Courington:	Dollar		587.17						587
Canada	Dollar		600.01						600
ry Naylor: Canada	Dollar		590.76						590
elegation Expenses: *	Dallas				271.07		0.105.01		0.557
Canadaathan Epstein:	Dollar				371.87		9,160.01		9,557
United States			200.00		8,098.00				8,098 200
legation Expenses: *									
Turkeynator John McCain:	Lira						8.51		8
United States			129.00		16,336.52				16,336
Turkeyzabeth O'Bagy:			129.00						129
United States Afghanistan			112.00		14,333.43				14,333 112
Iraq	Dinar		61.00						61
Turkeylegation Expenses: *			140.10						140
Afghanistan			156.00						156
United Arab Emirates					33,000.00		286.90		286. 33,000.
Turkey							20,596.00		20,596
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<sup>\*</sup>Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under the authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Sec. 22 of P.L. 95–384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384-22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 30, 2014

		Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator Elizabeth Warren:   srael	Shekel Dinar Dollar Shekel Dinar Dollar		2,695.19 368.86 2,664.89 357.90		8,964.52 7,504.02				2,695.19 368.86 8,964.52 2,664.89 357.90 7,504.02
Total			6,086.84		16,468.54				22,555.38

SENATOR TIM JOHNSON, Chairman, Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Dec. 18, 2014.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384-22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 2014

	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Kusai Merchant: Peru	Sole		754.00		1,000.93		3,041.50		3,795.50 1,000.93
Total			754.00		1,000.93		3,041.50		4,796.43

SENATOR PATTY MURRAY, Chairman, Committee on the Budget, Dec. 31, 2014.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384-22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 2014

		Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Ellen Doneski: United States South Korea John Branscome:	Dollar Won		2,308.88		19,109.90				19,109.90 2,308.88
United States South Korea	Dollar Won		2,442.88		19,112.90				19,112.90 2,442.88
Total			4,751.76		38,222.80				42,974.56

SENATOR JOHN THUNE Chairman, Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, Jan. 29, 2015.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384-22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 2014

		Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator Lisa Murkowski: United States Ledand Isaac Edwards:	Dollar Krona		589.17		3,638.90				3,638.90 589.17
United States	DollarKrona		855.55		2,182.00				2,182.00 855.55
lceland	Krona						651.57		651.57
Total			1,444.72		5,820.90		651.57		7,917.19

SENATOR MARY L. LANDRIEU, Chairman, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Dec. 17, 2014.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384-22 U.S.C. 1754(B), COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 2014

		Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Joseph Mendelson: United States	Dollar Nuevo Sol		3,448.00		3,550.34				3,550.34 3,448.00
United States Peru	Dollar Nuevo Sol		3,086.00		1,105.84				1,105.84 3,086.00
Total			6,534.00		4,656.18				11,190.18

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON FINANCE FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 2014

		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Jayme White:	D-II		0.410.00						0.410.00
Australia	Dollar Dollar		2,412.29		17.822.80				2,412.29 17.822.80
Elissa Alben:	Dulidi				17,022.00				17,022.00
Australia	Dollar		2.961.84						2.961.84
United States	Dollar		-,		17.822.80				17,822.80
Everett Eissenstat:					,				,
Australia	Dollar		2.856.91						2.856.9
United States	Dollar				17,822.80				17,822.80
Shane Warren:									
Australia	Dollar		2,917.70						2,917.70
United States	Dollar				17,822.80				17,822.80
Delegation Expenses: *									
United States	Dollar						1,057.00		1,057.00
Tyler Brace:	n ·		1 000 01						1 000 01
Ukraine	Hryvnia		1,802.21		0.700.70				1,802.21
United States	Dollar				8,762.70				8,762.70
Delegation Expenses: * United States	Deller						365.70		365.70
Jason Park:	Dollar						303.70		303.71
01:	Renminbi		1.162.22						1.162.2
United States	Dollar		1,102.22		20.238.30				20.238.30
Shane Warren:	Dollar				20,230.30				20,230.31
China	Renminbi		1.165.97						1.165.97
United States	Dollar		1,100.07		20.238.30				20,238.3
Delegation Expenses:*					,				,
United States	Dollar						1,240.47		1,240.4
Senator Pat Roberts:									
Kuwait			297.28						297.28
United States	Dollar				22,480.90				22,480.90
Theda Khrestin:									
Kuwait	Dinar		346.28						346.28
United States	Dollar				22,480.90				22,480.90
Delegation Expenses: *	Dines						22 017 70		22 017 7
Iraq	Dinar						22,917.70		22,917.70
Total			15.922.70		165.492.30		25.580.87		206.995.87
IVLa1			10,322.70		100,452.30		20,000.87		200,333.8

<sup>\*</sup>Delegation expenses include transportation, embassy overtime and other official expenses in accordance with the responsibilities of the host country.

SENATOR RON WYDEN, Chairman, Committee on Finance, Jan. 13, 2015.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 2014

		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscel	laneous	Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator John Barrasso:	Dollar		594.99						594.9
Canada Delegation Expenses: *	Dollar		394.99						394.9
Canada	Dollar						804.16		804.1
Senator John Barrasso:	Dive		231.00						231.0
Qatar United States			231.00		10.361.10				10.361.1
Charles Ziegler:	Donal				10,001.10		••••••	•••••	10,001.1
Qatar			231.00						231.0
United States	Dollar				9,966.00				9,966.0
Qatar	Riyal						283.27		283.2
Senator Christopher Coons:									
Liberia	Dollar		682.50		10.007.00				682.5
United States	Dollar				10,287.80				10,287.8
Liberia	Dollar		700.50						700.5
United States	Dollar				10,287.80				10,287.8
Delegation Expenses: *	Deller						0.500.70		0.500.7
Liberia Senator Jeff Flake:	Dollar						2,500.73		2,500.7
Cuba	Dollar		849.00						849.0
United States					1,094.20				1,094.2
Chandler Morse:	Deller		040.00						040.0
Cuba United States			849.00		923.20				849.0 923.2
Senator Tom Udall:	Donal				320.20				320.2
Cuba			849.00						849.0
United States	Dollar				918.20				918.2
Cuba	Dollar		849.00						849.0
United States					918.20				918.2
Senator Christopher Murphy:	_								
Serbia Montenegro			823.00 335.00						823.0 335.0
Kosovo			195.00						195.0
Albania			364.00						364.0
Croatia			282.00						282.0
United States	Dollar				10,640.10				10,640.1
Serbia	Euro		823.00						823.0
Montenegro	Euro		335.00						335.0
Kosovo			195.00						195.0
Albania			364.00 282.00						364.0 282.0
Croatia			202.00		11,917.50				11,917.5
Delegation Expenses:*					11,017.00				•
Serbia	<u>E</u> uro						1,416.00		1,416.0
Montenegro							1,130.00 1.329.57		1,130.0 1,329.5
KosovoAlbania							1,329.57		1,329.5
Croatia							826.00		826.0

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		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscel	laneous	To	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
ergio Aguirre:	Donner		1.052.40						1.052.4
IndiaAfghanistan			1,253.42 69.00						1,253.42 69.00
Pakistan			104.00						104.00
Qatar			5.55						5.5
United_States	Dollar				12,970.40				12,970.40
elegation Expenses: *	Burne						374.48		274.4
IndiaPakistan							88.30		374.48 88.30
Qatar							39.54		39.54
iviana Bovo:									
Colombia									345.8
United States na Unruh Cohen:	Dollar				3,871.00				3,871.0
Peru	Nuevo Sol		2,852.00						2,852.00
United States	Dollar		2,002.00		2,729.94				2,729.9
al Connolly:									,
Peru			2,180.00						2,180.00
United States	Dollar				2,719.94				2,719.9
sse Young: Peru	Nuevo Sol		2.844.00						2,844.00
United States			2,044.00		1,035.94				1,035.9
ichael Gallagher:			***************************************		,				,
Turkey			335.21						335.2
Saudi Arabia			1,301.00						1,301.0
Qatar			451.90		4,262.00				451.90 4,262.00
ana Stroul:	Donar				4,202.00				4,202.00
Turkey			249.00						249.00
Saudi Arabia									1,025.25
Qatar			829.66						829.60
United Stateselegation Expenses: *	Dollar				3,969.40				3,969.40
Turkey	Lira						113.37		113.37
Saudi Arabia									1,134.68
Qatar	Riyal						102.97		102.97
di Herman:	_								
AustriaFrance			683.65 489.78						683.65 489.78
France			403.70						2,267.70
owell Schwartz:	Dollar				2,207.70	•••••			2,207.70
Austria	Euro		671.26						671.26
France			617.65						617.65
United States	Dollar				2,232.70				2,232.70
elegation Expenses: * Austria	Euro						845.06		845.06
France							990.00		990.00
hris Homan:									
Indonesia			412.27						412.27
Vietnam			294.60						294.60
South Korea			308.18						308.18 8,118.4
elegation Expenses: *	Dollar				0,110.41				0,110.4
Vietnam	Dong						14.40		14.40
South Korea	Won						616.99		616.99
amian Murphy:	Teles		COF 00						COF 00
Bangladesh			695.00 813.59						695.00 813.59
United States			013.33		E 400 47				5,439.17
harlotte Oldham-Moore:					-,				-,
Bangladesh	Taka		695.00						695.00
Nepal			813.59		F 420 17				813.59
United Statestacie Oliver:	Dollar				5,439.17				5,439.17
Turkey	Lira		316.21						316.2
Kuwait			350.24						350.2
Jordan	Dinar		445.25						445.25
Egypt			725.31						725.3
Germany			341.66		0.500.30				341.66
United Stateselegation Expenses: *	Dollar				3,328.70				3,528.70
Kuwait	Dinar						205.86		205.86
Jordan							190.22		190.22
Egypt							164.00		164.00
Germany	Euro						11.32		11.32
hris Socha:	Zloty		600.00						600.00
Poland United States									3,596.70
aniel Vajdich:					5,550.70				5,550.70
Montenegro			285.00						285.00
Moldova			1,014.00						1,014.00
United States	Dollar				3,956.00				3,956.00
elegation Expenses: *  Montenegro	Euro						144.00		144.00
Moldova							138.70		138.70
							150.70		100.70
randon Yoder:			244.00						714.00
randon Yoder: Honduras									
Honduras United States									1,059.20
Honduras	Dollar				1,059.20				1,059.20
Honduras United States	Dollar				1,059.20				

<sup>\*</sup>Delegation expenses included payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95–384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

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		Per diem		m Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator Robert Casey:									
Norway	Kroner		163.96						163.96
Norway	Kroner		306.74						306.74
Norway	Kroner						713.26		713.26
Total			470.70				713.26		1,183.96

<sup>\*</sup>Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under the authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Sec. 22 of P.L. 95–384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977

SENATOR LAMAR ALEXANDER, Chairman, Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, Jan. 26, 2015.

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		Per diem		diem Transpo		Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Jim Catella:									
India	Dollar		670.00						670.00
Afghanistan	Dollar		56.00						56.00
Pakistan	Dollar		180.00						180.00
Doha	Dollar		164.00						164.00
Senator Marco Rubio:									
Colombia	Dollar		155.00		4,139.70				4,294.70
Brian Walsh:									,
Colombia	Dollar		155.00		4,139.70				4,294.70
Total			1,380.00		8,279.40				9,659.40

SENATOR DIANNE FEINSTEIN, Chairman, Committee on Intelligence, Dec. 23, 2014.

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Name and country		Per	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency							
David Killion:										
Germany			1,307.55						1,307.5	
United States	<u>D</u> ollar				12,130.50				12,130.5	
Switzerland			2,663.44						2,663.4	
United States	Dollar				11,905.70				11,905.7	
Erika Schlager:										
Poland			3,216.00						3,216.0	
Austria			417.00						417.0	
United States	<u>D</u> ollar				4,794.50				4,794.5	
Switzerland			2,663.44						2,663.4	
United States	Dollar				2,000.30				2,000.3	
Mischa Thompson:										
Germany			1,985.00						1,985.0	
United States	Dollar				1,797.60				1,797.6	
lex Johnson:										
Poland	Zloty		3,637.04						3,637.0	
United States	Dollar				759.37				759.3	
Germany	Euro		1,286.63						1,286.6	
United States	Dollar				960.50				960.5	
Switzerland	Franc		2,219.53						2,219.5	
United States					1,156.10				1,156.1	
Austria			23,300.78						23,300.7	
United States	Dollar				1,074.90				1,074.9	
obert Hand:										
Switzerland	Franc		1.632.72						1.632.7	
Boznia and Herzegov	Mark		1,372.00						1.372.0	
United States					3,359.70				3,359.7	
rest Devchakiwsky:										
Ukraine	Hrvvnia		1.765.00						1.765.0	
United States	Dollar				1.692.40				1,692.4	
llison Hollabaugh:					-,				-,	
Austria	Euro		807.50						807.5	
United States					1.750.50				1.750.5	
helly Han:	-				-,				-,	
Moldova	Leu		1.156.00						1.156.0	
Germany			298.58						298.5	
United States					4,331.20				4.331.2	
avid Kostelancik:					.,				.,	
Switzerland	Franc		1.951.44						1.951.4	
United States	Dollar		-,		4,714.30				4,714.3	
anice Helwig:					.,. =				.,	
Switzerland	Franc		2,489,44						2.489.4	
United States	Dollar		2,100.11		12,654.30				12.654.3	
Poland			3,492.08		,001.00				3,492.0	
United States					3.048.50				3,048.5	
					5,515.00				0,070.0	
Total			57.661.17		68,130.37				125.791.5	

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		Per o	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency							
Thomas Hawkins: Turkey Saudi Arabia Kuwait	Dollar		284.00 505.00 386.28				32.75 233.00 125.00		316.75 738.00 511.28	
Total			1,175.28				390.75		1,566.03	

SENATOR MITCH McCONNELL, The Republican Leader, Jan. 30, 2015.

### UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREE-MENT—READING OF WASHING-TON'S FAREWELL ADDRESS

Mr. McConnell. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwith-standing the resolution of the Senate of January 24, 1901, the traditional reading of Washington's Farewell Address take place on Monday, February 23, following the prayer and pledge; further, that Senator Hoeven be recognized to deliver the address.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2015

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m., Tuesday, February 10; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; following leader remarks, the Senate be in a period of morning business until 12:30 p.m., with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, and that the first hour be equally divided, with the Democrats controlling the first half and the Republicans controlling the final half. I further ask that the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. to allow the for weekly conference meetings.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

The Senator from Rhode Island.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Reserving the right to object, may I have one sentence to observe that there appears as yet to be no Republican plan whatsoever to answer the energy chairman's question on climate change—what do we do—and with that noted, I do not object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. McCONNELL. I would just say to my friend from Rhode Island that the Senator knows we just finished a lengthy floor consideration of the Keystone bill, with an open amendment process on this and other energy-related topics. The Senate voted on several amendments on climate change, including two from the Senator from

Rhode Island, which is more opportunities to vote on these amendments than during the entire 113th Congress.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, may I say how much I appreciate the open amendment process.

## ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McCONNELL. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order, following the remarks of Senator Brown.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it so ordered.

# APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to the order of the Senate of January 24, 1901, as modified by the order of February 9, 2015, appoints the Senator from North Dakota, Mr. HOEVEN, to read Washington's Farewell Address on Monday, February 23, 2015.

The Senator from Ohio is recognized.

# PRIORITY REGISTRATION FOR VETERANS

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, this week we celebrate Salute to Veterans Week to honor all those who have served our Nation in uniform and their families who sacrificed so much for our country.

This week is a particularly appropriate time for us to reflect on the importance of fulfilling our commitment to all veterans. Just as we invest in and train our men and women during their military service, we must make the same investments when they return to our communities, hang up their uniforms, and embark on the next phase of their lives. This institution always seems to be willing to vote for

money so we can send people to war, but is a bit less generous in taking care of those veterans when they return home. That should stop.

This morning I visited Eastern Gateway Community College in Youngstown and met with local veterans, including community college graduate Lisa Thomas. She graduated last May and is now pursuing a 4-year degree—after getting a 2-year degree—at Franklin University using her GI benefits.

Community colleges like Eastern Gateway are an important way we provide our veterans with the necessary skills to find decent-paying jobs. They serve as pipelines for veterans so they can attend 4-year universities.

The GI bill's education benefits are critical to investing in returning servicemembers. They help the veterans who have returned from war to learn new skills, and as a result these men and women have helped to build our middle class and led to our Nation's dominance in the second half of the 20th century and into this century. But veterans, as some find out unwittingly, have a limited amount of time before their GI benefits expire.

At crowded colleges, general education requirements and prerequisites often fill up quickly, and it can take several semesters for that veteran to secure a spot. Waiting for a spot in a required course is a luxury many veterans don't have because those veterans benefits could expire. If student veterans are unable to finish their degrees before these benefits expire, they may end up being forced to pay thousands of dollars in out-of-pocket tuition and fees. The veterans who served our Nation without delay should not face delays in getting their education.

Many colleges and universities—Youngstown State, which is the same place where the Eastern Gateway campus in Youngstown is located, is where many Eastern Gateway students complete their degrees. They offer veterans priority registration so they can get the courses they need before their benefits run out.

All of our colleges and universities—2-year, 4-year, public and private—need to follow Youngstown State's lead. If student athletes have priority registration, we can surely extend that privilege to those who have served our Nation. That is why in the coming